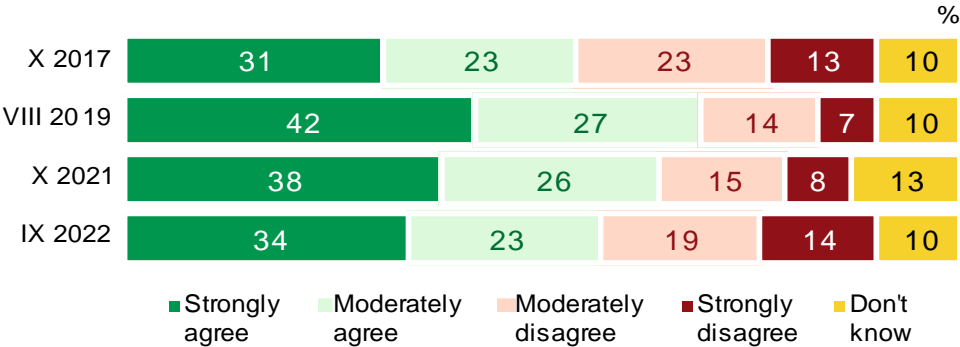


## **Opinions on reparations and Polish-German relations**

On September 1 2022, Arkadiusz Mularczyk, an MP, presented the "Report on losses suffered by Poland as a result of aggression and German occupation during World War II 1939-1945", prepared by the parliamentary team under his leadership and experts in various fields. These losses were estimated at PLN 6,220,609,000,000. On September 14, the Sejm of the Republic of Poland adopted a resolution by a majority in which it called on the government of the Federal Republic of Germany "to unequivocally assume political, historical, legal and financial responsibility for all the consequences caused in the Republic of Poland and the citizens of the Republic of Poland as a result of the unleashing of World War II by the Third German Reich" .

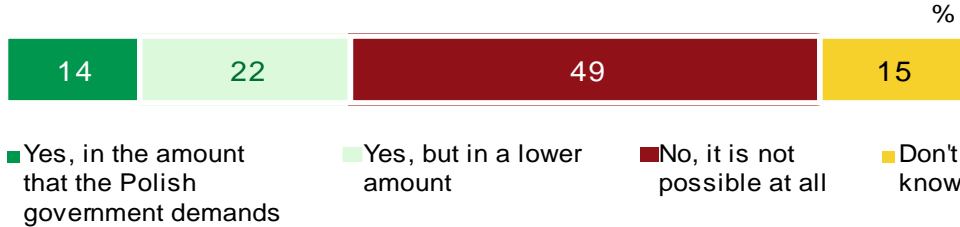
The announcements of Poland's demands for war reparations were positively received by the respondents from the very beginning. Currently, an application for compensation to Germany is supported by a total of 57% of the respondents, and one-third (33%) are against. Public approval for applying for reparations is currently higher than in October 2017, but lower than in 2019–2021. The largest number of supporters of taking action in this matter was recorded in July 2019 (69%).

**Do you agree that Poland should demand reparations from Germany for losses incurred during World War II?**



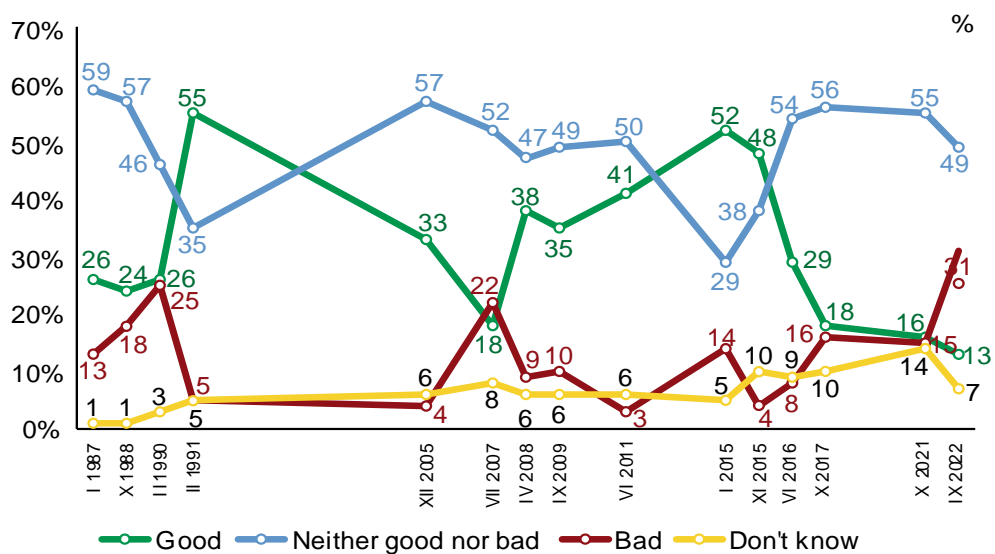
Poles are quite sceptical about the possibility of obtaining war reparations from Germany. Almost half (49%) believe that it is not possible at all, while 36% believe that we will obtain compensation. Most of these people (i.e. 22% of all respondents) believe that their amount will be lower than the estimated losses.

**In your opinion, is it possible for Poland to obtain compensation from Germany?**



Almost half of Poles (49%) perceive the current Polish-German relations as average - neither good nor bad. Nearly one-third (31%) think they are bad, and only 13% say they are good. Assessments of Polish-German relations are the worst in the history of CBOS research on this subject, conducted since 1987. So far, only once (in July 2007) did we note the predominance of negative over positive evaluations.

## How do you evaluate the current Polish-German relations?



More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: "Poles on Reparations and Polish-German Relations", October 2022. Fieldwork for national sample: September 2022, N=1119. The random sample is representative for adult population of Poland.